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GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Forest Department – Allegation of possession of disproportionate assets against Sri Motakuri Venugopal, Forest Range Officer, Mulugu, Warangal District – Sanction of prosecution – Orders – Issued .

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 27

Dated: 30-04-2019

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O R D E R:

Whereas Sri Motakuri Venugopal, s/o Sri Laxminarsaiah joined Government Service on 22.07.1989 as D.M. Grade –II and subsequently promoted as D.M Grade –I on 22.08.1997 and as Forest Range Officer on 17.07.2006 and worked as Forest Range Officer, Mulugu North Division, Warangal district from 15.08.2012 to 23.03.2014 and by virtue of the post held by him falls under the category of public servants as defined under clause (c) of section 2 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (central Act, 49 of 1988).

2. Whereas on 22.03.2014 Sri Motakuri Venugopal was arrested in Cr No 06/ACB-WRL/2014, when he demanded and accepted an amount of Rs.12,000/- as bribe from one Sri Gottiparthi Rajaiah, Civil Contractor for showing official favour. Subsequent to the trap, house search was conducted at the residential house bearing H.No.11-14-66 of Accused Officer situated at 'O' City, Azamjahi Mills Colony, Warangal in the presence of mediators. During the course of search, various documents, deposits, valuable securities, gold jewellery and other incriminating material including net cash of Rs.1,62,500/- were found and the same were seized under Inventory Proceedings and Search list.

3. On perusal of seized documents, Sri Motakuri Venugopal was found to be in possession of disproportionate assets to the known sources of his legal income. As such after obtaining permission from the competent authority i.e. the Joint Director (T), Anti – Corruption Bureau, A.P, Hyderabad, vide proceedings No. 02/ACB-Peshi/2014, dated:10.04.2014 of Additional Director, I/c Joint Director (T), Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P, Hyderabad, a case was registered vide Crime No.09/ACB-WRL/2014 u/s 13 (2) r/w (1)(e) of P.C. Act, 1988. Sri Motakuri Venugopal was produced before the Hon'ble Court on 07.05.2014.

4. And whereas, for the purpose of investigation, the check period was taken from date 22.07.1989, i.e, from the date of entry into service to 11.04.2014 till the date of searches.

5. And whereas, it is alleged that the said Sri Motakuri Venugopal during the above said check period, acquired assets in his name and in the name of his family members to the extent of Rs.85,83,084=00. The income of the said Sri Motakuri Venugopal from all the known sources during the above check period was estimated to be Rs.53,00,880=00. The total expenditure of Sri Motakuri Venugopal, during the above check period was worked out to

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Rs.53,72,936=00. It is thus clear as against the income of Rs.53,00,880=00, the Accused Officer incurred expenditure to a tune of Rs.53,72,936 =00, which is Rs.72,056=00 excess of his income, leaving no savings.

6. The Accused Officer was found in possession of assets to a tune of Rs.85,83,084=00. Thus, he was found in possession of disproportionate assets to a tune of Rs.86,55,140=00(Assets Rs.85,83,084 =00+ excess expenditure of Rs.72,056=00). The disproportionate assets work out to 163% of the income,(DA%=DA/Income X100) for which he could not account for satisfactorily.

7. And whereas, the above said acts of Sri Motakuri Venugopal, Forest Range Officer, Mulugu, Warangal district constitute offences punishable under section 13(2) r/w 13 (1) (e) of the Prevention of Corruption Act,1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988).

8. And whereas, the Government of Telangana being the competent authority to remove the said Sri Motakuri Venugopal, Forest Range Officer, Mulugu, Warangal district from Government service, after fully and carefully examining the material placed before them in respect of the said allegations and having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, consider that the said Sri Motakuri Venugopal, Forest Range Officer, Mulugu, Warangal district should be prosecuted in a Court of law, for the said offence.

9. Now, therefore in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (b) of Sub-section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) the Government of Telangana hereby accord sanction for prosecution of the said Sri Motakuri Venugopal, forest Range Officer, Mulugu, Warangal district for the aforesaid offences punishable under section 13(2) r/w 13(1) (e) of the Prevention of Corruption Act,1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the above said acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of Law of Competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

(AJAY MISRA)
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Director General,
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